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NMDOT AWARDS NCRTD AS SECTION 5311 RURALTRANSIT SYSTEM OF THE YEAR

The New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) has awarded the North Central Regional Transit District (NCRTD) as the (Fiscal Year) 2014 Section 5311 Transit System of the Year.

"Over the last 10 years, the NCRTD has progressed exponentially and proved to be exemplary in its compliance of State and Federal transit requirements, as well as for having an ongoing record of safe, efficient and growing public transit service," commented David C. Harris, Transit Bureau Chief at NMDOT.

Section 5311 is the Federal Transit Administration's Rural Transit Assistance Program to meet the needs of transit operators in nonurbanized areas and the NMDOT oversees 21 subgrantees throughout the State of New Mexico.

In October, 2014, the NCRTD was awarded the Administrator's Award for Outstanding Public Service in Rural Public Transportation by the Federal Transit Administration, a division of the United States Department of Transportation.

The North Central Regional Transit District provides free bus service Monday through Friday to a service area that encompasses over 10,000 square miles of north central New Mexico including the counties of Los Alamos, Rio Arriba, Santa Fe and Taos; the Cities of Santa Fe and Española and the Towns of Taos and Edgewood; as well as the Pueblos of Pojoaque, Ohkay Owingeh, Nambé, San Ildefonso, Santa Clara and Tesuque. The company's signature "RTD Blue Buses" provide additional transit connections to New Mexico Rail Runner, Santa Fe Trails, NMDOT Park and Ride, Los Alamos Atomic City Transit, Taos Chile Line and Red River Miner's Transit. All of its buses are equipped with bike racks and are ADA accessible.

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